

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10, 1864.

A CARD.

Messrs. Samuel Adams and Charles Leib, candidates in the recent election, having seen fit to make sundry charges against the ARIZONA MINER, I take this occasion to say that they are utterly groundless. So far from refusing Mr. Adams a hearing, when at Fort Whipple, in April last, I repeatedly asked him to give me, for publication, a full statement of his movements in regard to the navigation of the Colorado, but he did not see fit to do so. Doctor Leib's tickets were the first job work done after the removal of the MINER office to Prescott, and were ready some hours before he left for La Paz. Moreover they were called for by his friends in ample time to have them distributed to all parts of the Territory, and were used in this district, if not in others. The charge that the MINER refused to print them promptly, is in keeping with the intimations of Messrs. Adams and Leib that they were allowed no hearing in these columns, which have at all times been open to them upon the same terms as to other aspirants for office, viz., the regular rates of advertising. As none of the candidates were mentioned editorially, the gentlemen cannot justly complain of neglect in that direction.

T. A. HAND, Publisher.

MARSHAL DUFFIELD has returned to Tucson from San Francisco.

A GRAND total in bullion, of \$31,820, has gone from Nevada Territory to the St. Louis Sanitary Fair.

CAPT. ANDERSON and Major Clark bought a number of lots in Prescott, at the sale on the 1st instant.

WM. S. OURY, mayor of Tucson, will accompany the members of the Legislature from the 1st district to the capital.

THE Lount Mill is at the mouth of William's Fork, and will be brought forward here as speedily as possible.

F. G. CHRISTIE, Esq., has been appointed Clerk of the Probate Court of the Third Judicial District. Judge Brooks and he will soon open an office in town.

SEVERAL hundred men are engaged in grading a wagon road from the head of navigation on the Colorado river to Salt Lake. The distance is near 400 miles.

WE are indebted to L. Dukes & Co., to Captain Atchison, to Mr. Carlson, and others at Fort Mohave, for late California papers by the express.

DOCTOR GARVIN having resigned, owing to professional engagements, Edmund W. Wells, Esq., late of Colorado, has been appointed by the Governor an Alcalde in this Judicial District. He will reside in Prescott.

MR. A. LYON has arrived from Tucson. He will remain here for the present. Mr. Lyon was with Colonel Davis in his big fight with the Gila Apaches, and rendered efficient service. He is a capital mountain man.

THE historical communication on our first page, though somewhat lengthy, will be found interesting. It is from the pen of a gentleman now resident in Tucson, who has given much attention to the subject discussed.

T. SCOTT STEWART, Esq., of the Philadelphia Ophir Company, has returned to Fort Mohave, having made arrangements in San Francisco for machinery for the mines of that company. Mr. Stewart is expected at Prescott soon.

THANKS.—We have received a fine lot of new potatoes from Jack Swilling, Esq., of the Lower Hassayampa; also some radishes from Mr. R. E. Farrington, of the Whipple Ranch. Verily, the printer is remembered, even in Arizona.

WE propose getting up a cabinet of specimens, from the various lodes of Arizona, and request our friends, and recorders of mining districts owners of "feet," or others, to send us specimens of ore, with name of lode, and mining district.

THE Governor has made the following appointments: Commissioners of Deeds—Col. J. D. Stevenson, San Francisco; Thomas Sadler, New York. Alcaldes—Don Juan Elias, Dr. C. H. Meyer, Tucson; Don Miguel Arce, Fresno; Don Manuel Otero, Tubac; Col. Elmer Baker, Cerro Colorado Mines.

MR. CHARLES BORGER, assayer, late of La Paz, has established himself in Prescott, and will, as per advertisement in another column, make assays on short notice and in a careful manner. Mr. Borger comes recommended as one who thoroughly understands his business, and he will be liberally patronized by our citizens, who have long desired the aid of a good assayer.

THE well on the plaza is a success. At the depth of 16 feet there is a good supply of cold and excellent water. Much credit is due to Messrs. Barney, Wood, and J. D. Yates, for their perseverance in reaching all doubt as to procuring an abundant supply of water for the town. They have rendered an invaluable service, and will be remembered for it.

INFORMATION is wanted of the whereabouts of Geo. B. Snyder, who left Austin, Lander county, Nevada Territory, on or about the 20th of September, for Arizona, accompanied by a man by the name Mitchell. Any information will be thankfully received. Direct to Henry S., or Allen P. Snyder, Virgil City, Nevada Territory.

THE ELECTION.



THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES.

The returns thus far received at the MINER office indicate the election of the following persons. In our next we hope to give the vote received by each successful as well as unsuccessful candidate, from the official returns in the office of the Secretary:

DELEGATE TO CONGRESS.
CHARLES D. POSTON.

COUNCIL.
First District.—Coles Bashford, Mark Aldrich, Francisco S. Leon, and Patrick H. Dunn.
Second District.—George W. Leiby, and Goble.
Third District.—King S. Woolsey, Robert W. Groom, and Henry A. Bigelow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
First District.—John G. Capron, W. Claude Jones, D. H. Stickney, G. P. Harte, H. D. Jackson, Jesus M. Elias, N. B. Apple, Norman S. Higgins, and Gilbert W. Hopkins.
Second District.—

Third District.—John M. Boggs, Jackson McCrackin, James Garvin, and James S. Giles. It will be observed that the Second District is left blank. The official returns from that district have not yet been received, although Probate Judge Johnson is said to have been on the way from La Paz with them for more than two weeks. It is a pity that they were not sent by some more expeditious traveller. The official returns from the First District were received at the Secretary's office on the 31st ult. The delay of Judge Johnson is likely to seriously prevent the issue of the Governor's proclamation, and consequently the convening of the Legislature. The proclamation is already in type, saving the names of the successful candidates in the Second District, and ought to have appeared in this paper. As soon as the missing returns are received, it will be printed on slips and sent through the Territory. The Governor had fixed upon the 12th of September for the meeting of the Legislature, but it will now have to be delayed, in order to give all due notice, until, say the 20th, or, perhaps, the 1st of October.

FROM LA PAZ.—Messrs. J. P. Brown, G. M. Holaday, and others, arrived here, from La Paz, on Sunday, via the Williams Fork trail. They found the weather exceedingly warm. Mr. C. Davidson, formerly of Nevada, died on the road, probably from the effects of heat. We have received the annexed communication upon the subject:

WILLIAMS FORK, July 31, 1864.
EDITOR ARIZONA MINER:
SIR:—At 12 o'clock to-day Messrs. Holaday and Brown arrived at this place, having left La Paz on Wednesday last, in company with Mr. C. Davidson, of Marysville, whom they had left one mile back, apparently suffering from some disease. Messrs. Curtis, Brown, and Potter hastened back with water, etc., and found him dead. His body was brought into camp, and buried; his effects sent to La Paz, care of Mr. Meier.
His friends can get all particulars of his death and burial from either of the parties here subscribed.

A. O. Noyes, C. D. Potter, Henry Barnore, J. A. Haggerty, A. C. Benedict, Geo. W. Curtis, J. P. Brown, Joseph La Mar, G. M. Holaday, Van Hays.

We learn that Mr. Davidson had been a member as well as a clerk of both branches of the Legislature of Nevada. An Italian, a packer, travelling with one of the trains from La Paz, is also reported dead from sun-stroke.

The confirmation of Surveyor General Bashford, and the appropriation by Congress of a liberal sum for the expenses of his office, will put an end to the report that this surveying district is to be united with that of New Mexico. The General is expected here at an early day, in company with his brother, Hon. Coles Bashford, Attorney General of the Territory, and member of the Council elect, from the First District.

GUNSMITHING.—W. J. Berry, Esq., of La Paz, has concluded to remain in Prescott for the present, and has opened a gunsmith shop adjoining the store of Gray & Co. He will repair guns and pistols quickly and well, being an excellent workman.

DIED.

In La Paz, Arizona Territory, July 5th, 1864, Mrs. ELMINA HOLADAY, wife of G. M. Holaday, aged 35 years.

In New York City, April 12th, Mrs. A. ANNA READ, wife of Rev. H. W. Read, of Prescott, Arizona Territory.

THE MINING TAX.—The tax upon the products of gold and silver mines as fixed by the bill which has passed both houses of Congress, is one half of one per cent.—the tax to be collected not directly at the mine but from the assayers through whose hands they pass. This is certainly an improvement on the bill, as it passed the House, when it required five per cent. of the gross product of the mines. Arizonians will not grumble at the tax, though in common with all citizens out of Congress, who have taken the trouble to look into the matter, they will continue to doubt the policy of taxing the products of the mines at all. Gold and silver the country must have to pay its foreign debts in, if not to use as a currency. It would seem wiser to offer a bounty than by taxing to repress their production. This is a question of policy, and of nothing else. The tax raises the cost of producing gold at a time when unusual and novel legislation is deemed necessary to keep down the price of the article. As it was originally shaped, the bill would have operated most disastrously on the mining interest; as now amended, its chief effect will be on the value of the precious metals after they reach the market. The alacrity with which the amendment was adopted in the Senate and concurred in by the House, shows a determination on the part of Congress not to allow any portion of the Republic to be oppressed by the operation of a general law.

QUARTZ.—It is now generally conceded that the chief mining operations of this portion of Arizona are to be in gold and silver quartz. Both varieties are found in almost endless profusion. The lodes in this latitude have, some of them, been opened to a depth sufficient to show a rapid improvement in the quality of the rock, while from others the croppings are of the most promising character. It is a common remark of assayers and other judges of metal, that the surface rock from this region is unusually fine. In every test but that of machinery, which is of course the most important, the lodes have answered the best expectations of our miners. The ore is abundant, and often very rich. The ledges are unusually well located for working, being in close proximity to wood and water. The climate is such as to make labor practicable at all seasons of the year.

The introduction of mills would seem to be the only necessity to the speedy and profitable development of the mines, and the presence of a large and thrifty population.

Henceforth we shall, from time to time, give reports from the different quartz mining districts, of the character of the ledges and the operations upon them. We have only deferred speaking of them until convinced of their merit. We are now satisfied that the district is one of the most promising upon the Pacific coast, and that capitalists will soon find it out, and hasten here with the means to give it general and permanent prosperity.

HON. FRANCISCO PEREA has sent us copies of several important bills, to which we shall refer hereafter. Mr. Perea has worked vigorously for Arizona as well as for New Mexico, and he has the thanks of our people. If he has not been successful in all his efforts, it has not been for the want of industrious and judicious exertion. In the letter to the Secretary, elsewhere referred to, Chief Justice Turner pays the following compliment to Mr. Perea: "I am very much pleased with Hon. F. Perea. He has rendered me all the assistance in his power, and has kept an eye on our Territory. New Mexico will be fortunate if she never has a more inefficient member."

MAIL ROUTES.—Under date of June 27th, Chief Justice Turner writes from Washington to the Secretary: "The post route bill has passed both houses of Congress, establishing post routes from the Pimo Villages to the capital of Arizona, and from La Paz to the capital. There is also a route established from Fort Mohave, via Fort Whipple, to Albuquerque. The Hon. Mr. Perea goes with me to the postmaster general to-morrow to urge him to put service on immediately, and also on the old route from Mesilla to Tucson. Also from San Bernardino to La Paz. We are going to urge a semi-weekly mail from Kansas City to Santa Fe, and as further as we can."

FINE VEGETABLES.—The gulch miners on the Lower Hassayampa, have some fine vegetables this season. We were lately shown a turnip, sent to the Governor by Mr. Allen Collumber, which would have taken the prize at any agricultural fair in the States. Captain Weaver and Mr. Lamberton have thriving gardens at Walnut Grove.

MESSRS. BOWERS, suiters at Fort Whipple, have a fine stock of goods on hand, and more on the road from Mohave. Give them a call.

MAJOR-GEN. McDOWELL has assumed command of the Department of the Pacific, and has retained General Wright in command of the District of California. The Sacramento Bee says: "The retention of Gen. Wright in command of the District of California, by General McDowell, is generally looked upon with favor by the majority of the people who have never given credence to the many vague and unfounded charges made against him. It may be also considered as a marked evidence that the General has not forfeited the respect and confidence of the Administration." Arizona remains in the Department of New Mexico.

A PROCLAMATION.

BY JOHN N. GOODWIN, GOVERNOR OF ARIZONA TERRITORY, DESIGNATING THE PLACE AND TIMES FOR HOLDING A DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

WHEREAS, By a proclamation by me issued, dated the ninth day of April, A. D. 1864, defining judicial districts, and assigning judges, the limits of the Third Judicial District were designated, and the Hon. William F. Turner, Chief Justice of the United States Court for said Territory, assigned to said district, to hold the courts therein; and whereas, the times and places for holding the terms of the District Court in said district were not fixed by that proclamation.

Now, by virtue of the power with which I am vested by the organic law of said Territory, I do hereby order and direct, that until otherwise provided by law, in the Third Judicial District a District Court of the United States for said district shall be held at Prescott, in said district, commencing on the last Tuesday of September next, and to continue two weeks; and a second term of said court for said district shall be held at said Prescott, commencing on the last Tuesday of December next, and to continue two weeks.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Territory, at Prescott, this tenth day of August, A. D. 1864, and of the independence of the United States of America the eighty-ninth.

JOHN N. GOODWIN.

By the Governor:

RICHARD C. MCCORMICK,
Secretary of the Territory.

EXPRESS LINES.

PRESCOTT TO LA PAZ.

The Pioneer Express.

The undersigned will run a Pony Express semi-monthly, from Prescott and the various mining districts of northern Arizona to La Paz, connecting with Grant's and Wells, Fargo & Co.'s express to California and the Atlantic States. Offices: Lynx Creek, Wertheimer's store; Prescott, Juniper House; Weaver's store; Howell's store; La Paz, Chris. Murr's saloon.
ROBERTSON & PARISH.
Prescott, July 28, 1864. n10

L. Dukes & Co.'s Express

—FROM—

MOHAVE TO PRESCOTT, ARIZONA.

We will run a regular semi-monthly Express from Mohave, near Fort Mohave, to Prescott and Fort Whipple, Arizona, connecting with the Government Express from Fort Mohave. Leaving Prescott and Fort Whipple on about the 1st and 16th of every month, and Mohave on or about the 10th and 25th of every month.
Rev. H. W. Read, P. M., Agent at Prescott.
L. DUKES & Co., Proprietors.
July 30th, 1864. n10 v1

NOTICE.

W. S. F. Johnson, of Gen. Carleton's Escort, desires specimens of rock from the various lodes in this vicinity, for a cabinet to be presented to the Commanding General of this Department. Prospectors, and others, will confer a favor by leaving specimens at the MINER office, Prescott.

SALE OF LOTS.

Notice is hereby given that the last sale of lots, of the town of Prescott, at Public Auction, will be on the 1st day of October next. Terms and times of payment will be stated on the day of sale.

VAN C. SMITH,
HEZEKIAH BROOKS,
R. W. GROOM,
Commissioners.

CHARLES BORGER,
ASSAYER.

Having established himself permanently in Prescott Arizona, respectfully solicits the patronage of the public. Assays made of all kinds of ores, and guaranteed correct. Terms moderate.

Public Meeting.

THERE will be a meeting of the citizens and owners of lots of the town of Prescott, on Saturday evening, August 20th, at John Dixon's, to devise means for paying for the public well, on the Plaza. All are invited to attend.
By order of the COMMISSIONERS.